# GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

The Andhra Pradesh Land Licensed Cultivators Rules 2012 – Notification – Orders - Issued.

## **REVENUE (LAND REFORMS) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.Ms.No.57 Dated:23-01-2012 Read the following:-

- 1) Andhra Pradesh Land Licensed Cultivators Ordinance No.1 of 2011.
- 2) G.O.Ms.No.634 Revenue (L.Refs) Department dated 10-6-2011.
- 3) Andhra Pradesh Land Licensed Cultivators Act, 2011 (Act No.18 of 2011) dated 23-12-2011.

# ORDER:

The following Notification will be published in an Extraordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, dated 24-1-2012.

2. The Commissioner of Printing, Stationery and Stores Purchase, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad is requested to supply 2,000 copies (both English & Telugu) to the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Hyderabad for use in his office and for distribution among his subordinates and supply 1000 copies to the Government for use in the department.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

# ANIL CHANDRA PUNETHA, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

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The Commissioner of Printing, Stationery & Stores Purchase, Hyderabad.

The Spl.Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Law (H/E) Department.

All Collectors in the State.

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**SECTION OFFICER** 

#### **NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers conferred by subsection (1) of section 11 of the Andhra Pradesh Land Licensed Cultivators Act, 2011 (Andhra Pradesh Act No.18 of 2011) the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following rules, namely:-

### **RULES**

- 1. Short title, and extent
  - (1) These Rules may be called "the Andhra Pradesh Land Licensed, Cultivators Rules, 2012"
  - (2) They shall extend to the entire State of Andhra Pradesh.
- 2. Definition: In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires;
  - (1) "Act means the Andhra Pradesh Land Licensed Cultivators Act, 2011 (Andhra Pradesh Act No.18 of 2011);
  - (2) "Form" means a form appended to these Rules;
  - (3) "Gram Sabha" means a village assembly which shall consist of all adult members of a revenue village
  - (4) "Land Owner" means pattadar whose name is recorded in Revenue Registers as a person having right of ownership or right of possession over the land.
  - (5) "Long duration crop" means crop having duration of more than one (1) agricultural year;
  - (6) "Section" means a Section of the Act;
- Register of Licensed Cultivators:

On and from the date of enforcement of the Act, a register of licensed cultivators of land shall be maintained in Form-II for every separate Revenue Village, by the Revenue Officer specified of the respective revenue Mandal

- 4. Procedure for preparation of register of Licensed Cultivators to enable the Revenue Officer to issue Loan Eligibility Card under the Act :
  - (5) The Revenue Officer specified, under clause (9) of section 2 of the Act, shall publish every year a notice in Form-I (A) in each revenue village of his intention to prepare a record of Licensed Cultivators, for that year, calling upon licensed cultivators to submit to him a declaration in Form-I stating the particulars of the lands where the said person claims such license, within seven days from the date of issue of such notice, duly intimating the date and place of Grama

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Sabha where the enquiry will be taken up in respect of said declaration forms. The said public notice shall be published in the village in the following manner.

- (a) by affixture in the chavidi or if there is no chavidi, in any other conspicuous place in the village;
- (b) by affixture on the notice boards of Gram Panchayat Office, Primary Co-operative Agricultural Credit Society or School, if any, in the village;
- (c) by beat of tom tom in the village;
- (d) by affixture on the notice board of the office of the Revenue Officer having jurisdiction over the village;
- (e) by affixture on the notice board of the office of the Mandal Praja Parishad in which the village is situated.
- (2) Application Forms in Form-I will be given to the Gram Samakyas of each village every year. The Gram Samakyas will distribute forms with effect from February 1<sup>st</sup> each year, or any other date as may be specified by District Collector and maintain a list of those farmers who have received the forms.
- (3) The Licensed Cultivator shall submit an application/ declaration form to the Revenue Officer concerned in duplicate duly enclosing the written permission of the owner if any.
  - Provided that the family members of the owner/pattedar are not entitled for issue of a loan eligibility card.
- (4) The Revenue Officer specified shall arrange for receipt of the declaration forms submitted in response to the notice referred in sub-rule 4 (1) and shall also arrange for acknowledging the statement of claim on the duplicate and shall proceed to hold an open enquiry in a Grama Sabha in the village, on the dates intimated in the notice.
- (5) The Revenue Officer shall maintain a Register of declarations received for Loan Eligibility Cards in Form-II.
- (6) On the date fixed for the inquiry, the Revenue Officer specified after preliminary verification, shall cause enquiry in the Grama Sabha wherein he shall receive confirmation of claims of licensed cultivators from concerned land owners, or persons on their behalf, and objections of land owners if any.
  - (a) hear any oral representation made in respect of any claim and make a summary record of such representation; and

- (b) examine the relevant registers, records already maintained in respect of the lands in the village.
- (7) The Revenue Officer holding an inquiry may if he deems fit adjourn the inquiry to a later date or dates and every such adjourned enquiry shall be held in the village on the date to which the inquiry is adjourned by making announcement on the initially notified date.
- (1) After completion of enquiry in the above said manner, the Revenue Officer shall make its endorsement on each application and the out come of said enquiry shall be recorded in the register of declaration of Licensed Cultivator maintained in Form-II appended.
- (9) On the basis of the entries in the register maintained in Form-II and in all cases where eligibility for issuing Card is established, the Revenue Officer shall issue Loan Eligibility Cards under section 3 of the Act in Form-III, in the Grama Sabha duly obtaining acknowledgement in Form-II.
- (10) After issue of Loan Eligibility Card by the Revenue Officer, the list of Loan Eligibility Card holders shall be furnished to all the public financial institutions operating within the Mandal and Agricultural Officer of the Mandal.
- (11) All the records prepared under these rules including the declaration forms and registers prescribed should be handed over to the Tahsildar of the Mandal on the date specified by the Nodal Agency.
- 5. Applicability:- In the Scheduled Area of the State of Andhra Pradesh, these Rules shall apply to Licensed Cultivators who belong to Scheduled Tribes notified within the Agency area only.
- 6. Appeals:- Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Revenue Officer either for grant or refusing to grant of Loan Eligibility Card shall file an appeal to Tahsildar not later than 15<sup>th</sup> June of the year, in Form-IV in respect of licensed cultivator and in Form-V in case of owner/ pattadar/ occupant of land. The appellate authority shall dispose of the appeal by holding summary enquiry within fifteen (15) days of such appeal.

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- 7. The entire exercise of issue of Loan Eligibility Card shall be completed by 15<sup>th</sup> May of every year except in cases where appeals are filed, and the list of farmers to whom Loan Eligibility Cards have been issued shall be furnished to concerned public financial institutions in the District by 15<sup>th</sup> May of each year. Moreover the District Collector may depending on local conditions extend or abridge the aforesaid periods.
- 8. Once Loan Eligibility Card is issued under this Act, the licensed cultivator may be entitled to get loans from Public Financial Institutions and other benefits specified on the Card without insisting on production of any other Revenue Record like Adangal or ROR etc.
- 9. The Owner/Pattedar of land in spite of the land given on licensed cultivation will be entitled to obtain loans from Public Financial Institutions on security of said land, but not crop loan.
- 10. The cost of the Loan Eligibility Card shall be fixed by the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad and the amount shall be collected from the card holder.

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